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Award winning ¡Bravo! An Evening of Song and Dance the "Best" Little Show in Texas

Enjoy an array of award winning dance and musical performances that capture the flavor and passion of Old San Antonio and its cultural roots in Mexico and Spain this summer. ¡Bravo! An Evening of Song and Dance features the Parks and Recreation Department's Fandango and Alamotion Dance Troupes performing Mexican Folkloric, Spanish Flamenco, tap, jazz, hip hop and lyrical dance. Twelve award winning ¡Bravo! An Evening of Song and Dance, performances are scheduled for 8 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday nights, June 17 through July 23, at the Arneson River Theatre in La Villita.

The Emcee for Bravo is Elizabeth Ruiz and guest artists include: Mariachis Campanas de America and a variety of local celebrities.

"Bravo is one of the best entertainment values in town. The audience will truly enjoy the passion of Spanish Flamenco danced to the beat of the classical guitar and the castanets, the drama of traditional folkloric numbers, such as the Mexican Hat Dance performed to the unique rhythms of the accordion and the high energy jazz and tap routines they will see during the show," says Special Programs Supervisor Mona Lisa Montgomery.

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In 2007, the Bravo show received the Dorothy Mullen Arts and Humanities Award from the National Recreation and Park Association. The award recognizes those who demonstrate excellence in arts and humanities while also inspiring others who may be interested in developing similar programs.

The Fandango and Alamotion Dance Troupes are composed of young dancers who participate in an audition every August that is open to all dancers as well as those who participate in the City of San Antonio's Parks and Recreation sponsored dance programs. Both troupes perform throughout the year representing the Parks and Recreation Department at various events citywide.

Bravo is \$8 general admission. Tickets can be purchased at the theater ticket booth prior to the performance, or at the Special Programs' office located in the Ron Darner Park Operations Headquarters builing at 5800 Old Hwy. 90 W., between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday beginning in May.

Proceeds from ticket sales and concessions benefit both dance troupes. For more information, call 207-3132.

¡Bravo! An Evening of Song and Dance performance schedule

Wednesday, June 17 – 8 p.m. Thursday, June 18 – 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 24 – 8 p.m. Thursday, June 25 – 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 1 – 8 p.m. Thursday, July 2 – 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 8 – 8 p.m. Thursday, July 9 – 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 15 – 8 p.m. Thursday, July 16 – 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 22 – 8 p.m. Thursday, July 23 – 8 p.m. Thursday, July 23 – 8 p.m.